

Bold Fisherman

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1. As I walked out ___ one May mor-ning down by a ri - - ver side, and ___
 there I saw ___ a bold fish-er-man ___ come row-ing down _the tide, come row-ing down _the
 tide, and there I saw ___ a bold fish-er-man ___ come row-ing down ___ the tide

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| <p>2. "Good morning, morning, bold fisherman
 What brings you fishing here?"
 "I've come to court some lady gay
 All on the ocean clear."</p> <p>3. Then he pulled off his mornig' gown
 And laid it on the ground
 And she beheld three chains of gold
 All from his neck hung down.</p> <p>4. Then on her bended knee she fell
 Aloud for mercy cried
 For calling you a bold fisherman
 Come rowing down the tide.</p> | <p>5. "Stand up, stand up, you gay lady
 Stand up, stand up," said he
 "There's not one word that you have spoke
 That have the least offended me."</p> <p>6. "I'll take you to my father's hall
 And married we shall be
 And you shall have a bold fisherman
 To row you on the sea."</p> |
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Source: William Hedges (76) at Chipping Campden. Collected by Cecil Sharp, 14 August 1909
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